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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S SPECIAL FLIGHT TO NEW YORK--CAB
REGULATIONS

AT DEPARTURE THIS MORNING OF PRESIDENT FRANGIE'S SPECIAL
MEA FLIGHT FOR NEW YORK, MR. SAMI RABABY, MEA VICE
PRESIDENT FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS, WHO IS PROCEEDING TO
NEW YORK ON FRANGIE'S SPECIAL FLIGHT, STATED THAT MEA
BEIRUT RECEIVED EARLY THIS MORNING A TELEGRAM FROM MEA
NEW YORK STATING THAT CAB REQUIRES A COPY OF THE CHARTER
CONTRACT BETWEEN MEA AND GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON COVERING
THIS FLIGHT. RABABY STATED NO RPT NO SUCH CONTRACT
EXISTS IN THAT LEBANESE PROCEDURES ARE FOR THE GOVERN-
MENT TO ORDER MEA TO SUPPLY AIRCRAFT AS DESIRED BY
PRESIDENCY. MEA ACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRESIDENTIAL
REQUIREMENTS AND SUBSEQUENTLY BILLS LEBANESE GOVERNMENT
FOR SERVICES PERFORMED. IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES,
FOR EXAMPLE, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR MEA TO ENTER INTO
A CONTRACT WITH GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON FOR IT
DOES NOT RPT NOT KNOW YET WHEN PRESIDENT WILL RETURN
OR ROUTE THAT PRESIDENT WILL REQUEST FOR RETURN TRIP
TO BEIRUT. RABABY STATED MEA WOULD DO EVERYTHING
POSSIBLE TO MEET CAB'S REQUIRMENT AND WOULD BE HAPPY
SUPPLY CAB WITH FINAL INVOICE IT SUBMITS TO LEBANESE
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GOVERNMENT UPON CONCLUSION OF PRESIDENT'S CURRENT

TRIP. RABABY AND I HOPE THIS WOULD MEET CAB'S REQUIRE-
MENTS. RABABY WILL BE REMAINING NEW YORK AS LONG AS
PRESIDENT IS THERE AND CAN BE REACHED THROUGH MEA
OFFICE NEW YORK.
GODLEY

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